(b) to (d) The revised edition of the Hand-Book of Procedures, Vol. I 1992—97, has since been brought out on 30.4.1995. Since the previous Handbook of Procdures Vol. I, in so far as it was not inconsistent with the Export-Import Policy as amended on 31.3.95, continued to be applicable till 30.4.1995, exporters were not adversely affected on this account.

Monitoring of Unplanned acquaculture Development by MPEDA.

5857. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) has monitored the unplanned aquaculture development in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that MPEDA had failed to properly direct and guide the development of acquaculture in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) what are the reasons for lack of planning by MPEDA in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) MPEDA has a promotional role for encouraging export oriented aquaculture in the country through scientific shrimp farming. It does not, however, have any regulatory function in the planning and management of this sector.

(c) Does not arise.

Percentage of Purchase of Stores by DGS&D From SSI Units

5858. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the percentage of purchase of stores from Small Scale Industries, Government Undertakings and Private Sector by DGS&D during 1992-93, 1993-94 & 1994-95;

(b) the reasons for a very low percentage of purchases from Small Scale industries, inspite of reservations and preference given to SSI Units;

(c) how many cases of misuse of power in placing the orders by DGS&D have been detected during 1992-93, 1993-94 & 1994-95 and the value of orders; and

(d) in how many cases actions have been initiated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARM) : (a) The information is given in the enclosed statement, (*see* below)

(b) Items like cement, POL, B Twill Bags, automobiles which account for sizeable value of DGS&D purchases are manfactured in large and medium sectors only. If these items are excluded the percentage of purchase from Small Scale Industry is:

1992-93	:	50.6%
1993-94	:	43.4%
1994-95	:	58.6%

(Provisional)

(c) There are no such cases.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

Value of Stores Purchased through SSI industries, PSUs, and Private Sector against Total Purchase

Value in crores of Rupees

Year	Total Purchases	Purchase through SSI Sector	%Age	Purchase through PSUs	%Age	Purchase through Pvt. Sectors (Includes SSI)	%Age
1992-93	3271.13	342.12	10.5	1863.61	56.96	1407.82	43.04
1993-94	2800.76	239.17	8.6	1330.60	47.51	1470.16	52.49
1994-95	2187.75 (Provisional)	237.25	10.8	1051.93 (Provisional)	48.08	1135.82 (Provisional)	51.92

Payment of CCS to PSUs

5859. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 892 given in the Rajya Sabha on 20th March, 1995 and state :

(a) whether some cases of PSUs for payment of CCS have been pending with the office of Joint Director General of Foreign Trade, Cochin for the last several years;

(b) whether in some cases the payment were withheld due to objection raised by Audit authorities;

(c) whether Government had advised such audit objections to be dropped and payments to be released;

(d) whether despite such advice the issue has not yet been settled;

(e) whether Government will ensure that the PSUs affected by such technical problems are immediately cleared of their dues on a/c of CCS without further delay; and

(f) if so, the facts and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (f) While no case of any public sector undertaking is pending for payment of CCS, in respect of one case of M/s. Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd. Audit has raised objections about alleged overpayment. The matter was taken up with the principal Director of Audit, Madras, However, the Audit para has still not been dropped and is being taken up further.

Proposal for setting-up Free Trade Zone at Vadinar Port in Gujarat

5860. SHRI ANANTRAY DEV SHANKER DAVE:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA:

Will the MInister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal/request from Government of Gujarat for setting up of free trade zone at Vadinar Port in Jamnagar district;

(b) if so, the details of places identified therefor at Vadinar Port area; and

(c) the action taken by Government in this regard?